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City of Ventura Appoints Interim City Manager

The Ventura City Council has selected retired City Manager Don Penman to serve on an interim basis as Ventura's city manager. Penman retired in 2011 from the City of Arcadia after serving for 13 years. Since retirement, Penman served as interim city manager for Azusa, Covina, San Fernando and Temple City.

"I look forward to serving the public in Ventura and working with the City Council and staff in moving the city forward," said Don Penman.

Mr. Penman will work in a limited term appointment while the recruitment process for a permanent city manager is completed. City Manager Mark Watkins held the position until December 2017 when he retired, and Assistant City Manager Dan Paranick served as interim city manager until August 24, 2018, when he resigned to accept other employment. An interim city manager is needed to complete objectives established by city council.

Mr. Penman will serve for six months or until the new city manager assumes the position. There are no proposed benefits for Mr. Penman in accordance with CalPERS requirements.

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